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Examiner: Dunwoody, Aaron M.

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Group Art Unit: 3679

Title: CAPILLARY COLUMN SEALING TECHNIQUE

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Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,

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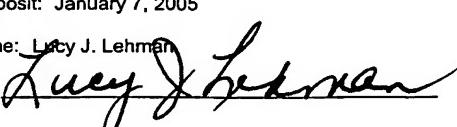
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## **FIRST RESPONSE**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 26, 2004 (Paper No. omitted), Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Agilent Technologies' Deposit Account No. 50-1078.

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**AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the application as indicated hereafter.

**In the Title**

Please amend the title to “Capillary Column Connector Assembly”